

	2003	2004(P)
Punjab	1888	1620
Rajasthan	7515	7735
Sikkim	34	42
Tamil Nadu	20655	19797
Tripura	314	279
Uttaranchal	445	561
Uttar Pradesh	5490	6520
West Bengal	3999	5590
A & N Islands	NIL	0
Chandigarh	45	38
D & N Haveli	NIL	0
Daman & Diu	NIL	0
Delhi	1129	1046
Lakshadweep	NIL	0
Pondicherry	769	777
TOTAL	127834	130265

Delhi-Gurgaon Expressway

985. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Delhi-Gurgaon Expressway Project is running behind schedule;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by Government to ensure timely completion of project by the contractor; and
- (d) give details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b)

Yes, Sir. The reasons for delay are as under:

- (i) Financial constraints being faced by the concessionaire, resulting in inadequate deployment of manpower and machinery on site.
 - (ii) Delay in handing over of land from Airport Authority of India for Mahipalpur-IGI flyover.
 - (iii) Delay in handing over of Defence land at RTR Palam, Rajokri and IFFCO Chowk.
 - (iv) Land has not been handed over the border Toll Plaza by Government of Haryana.
 - (v) Delay in shifting of 66 KV line by BSES near Radisson Hotel.
 - (vi) Stay by High Court of Punjab and Haryana for acquisition of a building for construction of toll plaza at km 42.
 - (vii) Change of scope: Some improvements were added to project facilities to cater to unprecedented growth in Gurgaon area.
- (c) and (d) Following steps have been taken to expedite the project:
- (i) The project is monitored at highest level in NHAI.
 - (ii) The Committee of Secretaries constituted to remove bottlenecks in NHDP projects have taken up issues of acquisition of land from Airport Authority of India and Ministry of Defence.
 - (iii) Efforts are made for acquisition of land from Government of Haryana.

Stretches of NHs in Bihar under NHDP-III

†986. SHRI MANGANILAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to criterion fixed for selection of road stretches under the National Highways Development Project a proposal is being considered to earmark Bindu Dobhi to Bodhgaya to Gaya and frohfi Gaya to Patna under Phase-III of Golden Quadrilateral corridor in Bihar; and

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